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-ADVISORY-GOVERNOR TO KICK OFF VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

PHOENIX – Governor Janet Napolitano will join crime victims and their families to kick off Arizona Victims' Rights Week by presenting the *2008 Triumph Over Tragedy Award* to Gail Leland. Leland is the founder of the National Coalition of Homicide Survivors and coordinator of the Homicide Survivors Victim Assistance Program in Tucson.

The Governor will also present a check to the Arizona Crime Victim's Compensation Program, which helps to pay funeral, medical and counseling expenses for victims of crime. These funds were raised by Arizona prison inmates as part of the Arizona Department of Corrections Restorative Justice Program.

Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard will also speak.

National Crime Victims' Rights Week is April 13-19, 2008. This year's theme is "Justice for Victims. Justice for All."

DATE: Monday, April 14

TIME: 10 a.m.

LOCATION: Executive Tower Lobby

1700 West Washington

Phoenix

